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SUBJECT: CODEL BYRD

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(B) STATE 150168 (DTG 132207Z JUN 78), (C) STATE 151321
(DTG 142144Z JUN 78), (D) MADRID 6728 (DTG 151032Z JUN 78)

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1. BASED ON REF A, AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS, SACEUR AND USNATO
HAVE CONCENTRATED ON 3/4 JULY SCENARIO AND HAVE SCHEDULED
APPOINTMENTS ORIGINALLY REQUESTED WITH BELGIAN AND NATO
OFFICIALS, INCLUDING SOCIAL ACTIVITIES PROPOSED.

2. REF B, WITH C CORRECTION, GAVE US INITIAL CONCERN IN
VIEW OF ONGOING US AND NATO ACTIVITIES LONG SCHEDULED.
IT IMPLIED WE MIGHT NOT RECEIVE CODEL BYRD UNTIL AFTERNOON
OF 3 JULY.

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3. REF D FURTHER REVISION PROPOSAL HEIGHTENS THIS CONCERN.
ALTHOUGH WE SYMPATHIZE WITH MADRID PREDICAMENT, WE ARE
UNABLE TO MODIFY OUR SCHEDULE FROM TWO TO ONE WORKING DAY
AND MEET ORIGINAL CRITERIA. PRINCIPALS HAVE OTHER ENGAGE-
MENTS ON WEEKEND. GOB MAJOR GOVERNMENT CRISIS HAS DELAYED
FIRM COMMITMENT BY GOB TO 4 JULY, BUT THIS PROBLEM WILL
NOT BE EASED BY CHANGE OF DATES AT THIS TIME.

4. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE ARRANGED FOR BELGIUM INCLUDES:

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- 1000 3 JULY: MEETING WITH SYG LUNS AND ALLIANCE OVER-
- VIEW BRIEFING INCLUDING SUMMIT/INITIATIVE
- EVALUATION
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- 1200 3 JULY: HELICOPTER TRAVEL TO SACEUR'S HQ (50 MI
- FROM BRUSSELS) FOR LUNCH AND THREAT AND
- PLANS BRIEFINGS
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- 1630 3 JULY: RETURN TO BRUSSELS
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- 1930 3 JULY: BLACK TIE DINNER INCLUDING SYG AND PERM-
- REPS
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- AM 4 JULY: APPOINTMENTS WITH PM, FORMIN AND PROBABLY
- MOD FOR BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS
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- PM 4 JULY: VISIT TO WATERLOO AND 4 JULY EMBASSY
- RECEPTION

5. WE BELIEVE WE CAN COPE IF WE FREEZE SCHEDULE AS PRO-
GRAMMED IN REFS A AND B, HOPING FOR EARLY AM AS OPPOSED
TO LATE AM 3 JULY MADRID DEPARTURE (FLIGHT TIME: 2 HRS
45 MIN). GLITMAN
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